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§3–211.

- (a) This section does not apply to a public body that is:
  - (1) in the Judicial Branch of State government; or
  - (2) subject to governance by rules adopted by the Court of Appeals.
- (b) If the Board determines that a violation of this title has occurred:
  - (1) at the next open meeting of the public body after the Board has issued its opinion, a member of the public body shall announce the violation and orally summarize the opinion; and
  - (2) a majority of the members of the public body shall sign a copy of the opinion and return the signed copy to the Board.
- (c) The public body may not designate its counsel or another representative to provide the announcement and summary.
- (d) Compliance by a public body or a member of a public body with subsections (b) and (c) of this section:
  - (1) is not an admission to a violation of this title by the public body; and
  - (2) may not be used as evidence in a proceeding conducted in accordance with § 3–401 of this title.
- (e) If the Board determines that a public body has violated a provision of this title, the Board shall post on the Maryland Open Meetings Act page of the Office of the Attorney General Web site the name of the public body and the opinion that describes the violation.

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